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BOARD OF FORESTRY AND FIRE PROTECTION

Sacramento, CA

July 13, 2011

BOARD OF FORESTRY MEMBERS PRESENT:

Stan Dixon, Chairman
Pam Giacomini
Jim Ostrowski
Bruce Saito
Gary Nakamura
Mark Andre

BOARD OF FORESTRY MEMBERS ABSENT:

BOARD STAFF:

George Gentry, Executive Officer
Eric Huff, Executive Officer, Forester's Licensing
Linda Cano, Executive Assistant

DEPARTMENTAL STAFF:

Ken Pimlott, Director

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Dixon called the July 13, 2011 meeting of the Board of Forestry and Fire Protection to order.

ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

No Executive Session

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

07-11-01 Member Saito moved to approve the May and June Minutes. Member Giacomini seconded the motion. The motion carried with one abstention by Member Ostrowski.

REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN

No Report

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR – Ken Pimlott

- Average to normal fire conditions.
- All stations are now fully staffed.
- Fire activity in the lower elevations. Averaging around 400 fires a week.
- Elimination of a forth fire fighter and the large air tanker DC10 was confirmed with the signing of the budget. The department will have access to the DC 10 under the contract.
- Reduced year around staffing by 50% in Southern California, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego along with Orange and Los Angeles County. Reduced the number of engines in Riverside, San Bernardino and San Diego. Two VMP coordinators were taken out of the budget. Next fire season's funding for two engines have been eliminated in Lake Tahoe. Five bulldozers have been eliminated, from which areas have not been determined. Closing one air attack base. Defensible space coordinators have been eliminated.
- No changes to Resource Management program budget.
- Budget bill and trailer bill language looks at moving forward with a process for State Responsibility fees. Working internally with the department and board staff to identify the process. Organizing fire service leadership group. The group will focus on how to implement the SRA fees and other options. Janet Upton will oversee communications regarding how information is disseminated to media outlets. Janet Barentson will be the coordinator for the SRA process.
- Continuing to work with the Board, staff and the Resources Agency on the Battle Creek issue.

REPORT OF THE REGULATIONS COORDINATOR

No Report

George Gentry and Eric Huff will be taking over the duties of Regulations Coordinator.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Executive Officer Gentry gave an overview of the Board's the priorities.

- Road Rules
- JDSF
- Climate-IFWG
- Finalizing Major Woody Stem regulation
- Vegetation Treatment Program EIR
- AB 29

REPORT OF THE BOARD'S COMMITTEES

Forest Practice – Mark Andre

No Action Items

Policy - Jim Ostrowski

No Action Items

Management – Gary Nakamura

No Action Items

Resource Protection - Pam Giacomini

No Action Items, 45 day notice on Major Woody Stem regulation deferred to August meeting.

REPORT OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEES

CALIFORNIA OAK MORTALITY TASK FORCE (COMTF) – Katie Palmieri

Refer to COMTF report.

TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC) – Michael Liquori

Refer to TAC report

Gave brief update on Section “V” projects.

RANGE MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (RMAC) Mel Thompson

Refer to report

MONITORING STUDY GROUP (MSG) George Gentry

No Report

PROFESSIONAL FORESTERS EXAMINING COMMITTEE – Eric Huff

Mr. Huff reviewed the June 16 PFEC meeting. Primary topic was the CRM Program Guidelines. In the course of discussing revisions to the guidelines that were proposed by the society and the certification panel it was brought up that the guidelines be incorporated as regulation.

The following Registered Professional Foresters requested and meet the requirements for license **WITHDRAWAL** pursuant to 14 CCR §1608(a):

ARNOLD ALBRECHT	RPF 545	07/01/2011 - 06/30/2016
DANIEL AVERILL	RPF 1377	07/01/2011 - 06/30/2015
GERI BERGEN	RPF 885	07/01/2011 - 06/30/2016
ROBERT BIGHAM	RPF 837	07/01/2011 - 06/30/2015
DENNIS CLEMENS	RPF 1011	06/30/2011 - 06/30/2015
FORREST COSTALES	RPF 2807	07/01/2011 - 06/30/2015
STEWART CRAIG	RPF 2437	07/01/2011 - 06/30/2015
JAMES DAHM	RPF 1947	07/01/2011 - 06/30/2015
ERIK GEIGER	RPF 2666	07/01/2010 - 06/30/2012
STEVEN HARTSELL	RPF 1915	07/01/2011 - 06/30/2015
CHRISTOPHER LEE	RPF 2885	07/01/2011 - 06/30/2015
DAVID LINKHART	RPF 2341	07/01/2011 - 06/30/2015
DEAN LUCKE	RPF 889	07/01/2011 - 06/30/2015
RICHARD MONTAGUE	RPF 905	07/01/2011 - 06/30/2015
STEVEN MUHA	RPF 2733	07/01/2011 - 06/30/2016
LAWRENCE POTTS	RPF 917	07/01/2011 - 06/30/2015
STEVE SAYERS	RPF 1695	07/01/2011 - 06/30/2015

ROBERT SCHULTZ	RPF 1519	07/01/2011 - 06/30/2015
DANIEL SEAMOUNT	RPF 459	07/01/2011 - 06/30/2015
RALPH WARBINGTON	RPF 2025	07/01/2011 - 06/30/2015
VICTOR WILLIAMS	RPF 1729	07/01/2011 - 06/30/2015
THOMAS WYMA	RPF 2477	06/30/2011 - 06/30/2015

07-13-02 Member Ostrowski moved to accept RPF license withdrawals. Member Andre seconded the motion. All members were in favor of the motion.

52% pass rate on the last Professional Forester's exam.
100% pass rate on the CRM exam.

Board Registration of Successful Applicants for licensing as Registered Professional Foresters (RPFs) or Certified Rangeland Managers (CRMs):

MR. JIM SUERO	RPF NO. 2934
MR. THOMAS DOLS	RPF NO. 2935
MR. HENRY FRANCISCO HERRERA	RPF NO. 2936
MR. JIM LEWIS	RPF NO. 2937
MR. RAY A. HAUPT	RPF NO. 2938
MR. CALEB VIERRA	RPF NO. 2939
MR. JASON SCOTT PINKERTON	RPF NO. 2940
MR. WESLEY RICHARD SOLUS	PF NO. 2941
MR. ERIC J. SUTERA	RPF NO. 2942
MR. DANIEL RICHARD GRAYBILL	RPF NO. 2943
MR. PAUL EDWARD CHAPMAN	RPF NO. 2944
MR. MATTHEW S. MCNICOL	RPF NO. 2945
MS. BREANNA OWENS	CRM No. 97

07-11-03 Member Ostrowski motioned to accept registration of Registered Professional Foresters (RPFs) and Certified Rangeland Manager (CRM). Member Nakaumura seconded the motion. All members were in favor of the motion.

Discussion of Jackson Demonstration State Forest Advisory Group Recommendations for modifications to 2008 JDSF Forest Management Plan. Possible action item: Board may provide additional direction to Department and staff.

07-11-04 Member Nakamura moved to adopt the findings as modified as discussed and directives to Cal Fire. Member Giacomini seconded the motion.

Member Ostrowski moved to amend original motion with certain edits. Member Nakamura did not accept Member Ostrowski's friendly amendment. No second to the Member Ostrowski's motion.

Original motion carried with one opposed.

Discussion of Assembly Bill 29X 1, "State responsibility areas: fire prevention fees".
Executive Officer Gentry gave the overview.

PUBLIC FORUM

Bill Keye, staffers will tour Blodgett Forest, Friday July 15.

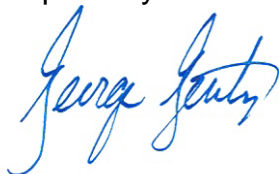
NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

ADJOURNMENT

The Chairman adjourned the July 13, 2011 meeting of the Board.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "George Gentry".

George D. Gentry
Executive Officer

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Stan Dixon".

Stan Dixon
Chairman

Copies of the attendance sheets can be obtained from the Board Office.